

Cancel claims 23-26.

Add the following claims:

5-27. The method of claim 3 wherein providing an intensity control device includes providing a rheostat.--

11-28. The apparatus of claim 17 wherein the intensity control device comprises a rheostat.--

REMARKS

Claims 2-6, 8-10, 16-19, 21, 22, 27, and 28 are in the application. Claims 2, 3, 6, 10, 16, 17, and 22 are in independent form. Claims 27 and 28 are added by this amendment.

Claims 11-14 and 23-26 stand withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected species. Claims 11-14 and 23-26 are canceled. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Claims 2, 3, 6, 10, 16, 17, and 22 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten into independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 2, 3, 6, 10, 16, 17, and 22 have been rewritten and are therefore allowable. The preambles of claims 2, 3, 6, and 10 are amended to remove the "step of" language to clarify that applicants do not intend to invoke 35 U.S.C. 112, paragraph 6.

Claims 1, 7, 15, 19, and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by Everett Jr. Claims 1, 7, 15, and 20 are canceled. Claim 19 is amended to depend on allowable claim 17.

Claims 4, 5, 8, 9, 18, and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) for obviousness over Everett, Jr. in view of Muurinen. Claims 4 and 5 are amended to depend from allowable claim 2. Claims 8 and 9 are amended to depend from allowable claim 10. Claim 18 is amended to depend from allowable claim 17, and claim 21 is amended to depend from allowable claim 22.

Added claims 27 and 28 depend from allowable claims 3 and 17, respectively. Claims 27 and 28 are supported in the specification on page 6, lines 12-20, which states that a rheostat is but one a variety of possible methods for controlling the illumination.

Applicants have canceled claims to expedite allowance of this case and reserve the right to file divisional or continuation applications to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims.

Having canceled the non-allowable claims, applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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